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Sir:

This paper is submitted as a response to the office action dated October 21, 2005 (the "office action"). Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any fees required for any reason relating to this paper under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 to 1.21 from Locke Liddell & Sapp LLP Deposit Account No. 12-1322, Order No. 021958.040US.

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